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EIC Subcommittee on Population and Manpower

SUBJECT:

Annual Report of the Subcommittee on Population and Manpower

for Fiscal Year 1961

A. Activities of the Subcommittee During Fiscal Year.

1. Review of the Intelligence Production in the Subcommittee's Field of Competence.

At a meeting on 3 May the Subcommittee reviewed the tentative research plans of member agencies for FY 1962. The Subcommittee found that there was no duplication in the present and planned research activities of member agencies and that the separate research programs were mutually beneficial to all member agencies.

2. Research and Collection Deficiencies.

a. Research Deficiencies.

A progress report on priority deficiencies of research within the purview of the Subcommittee is attached. The list of deficiencies was reviewed and updated by the Subcommittee in 1960.

b. Collection Deficiencies.

A statement of priority deficiencies of collection was forwarded by the Subcommittee to the EIC in 1960. The statement was based on the expressed requirements of the member agencies, and no changes are under consideration by the Subcommittee at this time.

3. Review of Substantive Papers.

At its meeting of 3 May, the Subcommittee discussed an informal paper prepared by ARD for the Air Force entitled "Problems of Population Estimates for Communist China". The paper set forth some of the factors that suggest a lower rate of population growth for Communist China than is currently being used by the other agencies represented on the Subcommittee. The paper was discussed in connection with the annual review by the Subcommittee of "Agreed Basic Statistics" on population of countries of the Sino-Soviet Bloc (See 5, below).



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4. Review of Proposals for External Research.

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5. Maintenance of Agreed Basic Statistics.

In July 1960, the Subcommittee published a set of agreed population estimates for countries of the Sino-Soviet Bloc in EIC-SR-5, Population of the Countries of the Sino-Soviet Bloc, Selected Years, 1938-75. At its meeting of 3 May, the Subcommittee reviewed a draft revision of this publication, prepared jointly by Census and CIA, which would update the estimates to conform to the most recent available data. This draft was subsequently reviewed to take care of suggestions made by Subcommittee members and forwarded for publication. The Subcommittee plans to review these estimates annually, or more often if needed.

6. Projects Undertaken at the Request of the EIC or Proposed to the EIC.

No such projects were undertaken or proposed.

7. Intelligence Research Techniques.

The Subcommittee did not concern itself with intelligence research techniques during the year.

8. Special Coordinating Functions of the Subcommittee.

No special coordinating functions were undertaken during FY 1961.

9. Evaluation of the Role of the Subcommittee.

The Subcommittee believes that its activities provide a useful means for coordinating the research on population and manpower within the intelligence community and for eliminating duplication of effort. The Subcommittee also serves a useful function in acquainting its members and their agencies with research problems, techniques, and findings on problems of mutual concern.

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B. Future Program of the Subcommittee.

The Subcommittee plans to engage in the following major activities during FY 1962:

- 1. To review the Basic Population Statistics published by the Sub-committee in the light of new information.
- 2. To continue the annual review of agency research problems and external research proposals, in order to avoid duplication of effort.
- 3. If appropriate, to hear and comment upon the more important substantive reports prepared by member agencies.

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